

PATENT

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Applicant: David S. Grummon

Group Art Unit: 3753

Examiner: Marina Annette Tietjen

Title: PRESTRAINED THIN-FILM SHAPE MEMORY
ACTUATOR USING POLYMERIC SUBSTRATES

Attorney Docket: 6550-000077/NPB

Commissioner for Patents
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT & PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)**

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed on April 28, 2009, and prior to examination of the present application, please amend the application as follows and consider the remarks set forth below.

Applicants hereby petition under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for a two month extension of time in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action and include a fee as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a) with this response for such extension of time.

Amendments to the Claims begin on Page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on Page 10 of this paper.